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SUBJECT: MARI SAYS NEXT TWO MONTHS ARE DECISIVE

1. SINCE OCTOBER WAR GOE OFFICIALS HAD BEEN CAREFUL NOT TO SET PUBLIC DEADLINES FOR COMPLETION OF ANY STAGE OF SECRETARY KISSINGER'S DIPLOMATIC EFFORTS. THEIR PURPOSE WAS PRESUMABLY TO AVOID GIVING APPEARANCE OF PRESENTING EGYPTIAN ULTIMATUM AT TIME WHEN STEP-BY-STEP APPROACH WAS GENERALLY RECOGNIZED AS OFFERING REAL HOPE OF SUCCESS.

2. ON JAN 2, HOWEVER, PRESIDENT SADAT , SPEAKING TO GROUP OF EGYPTIAN SCIENTISTS, INTRODUCED A TIME-FRAME. COMING THREE MONTHS", HE SAID, "WILL BE DECISIVE"; OTHERWISE WE SHALL REACH A STAGE IN WHICH WAR IS INEVITABLE. SADAT MADE SAME POINT IN INTERVIEW WITH AL-NAHAR PUBLISHED LOCALLY JAN 17.

3. SPEAKING JAN 19 TO "TIME NEWSTOUR" GROUP, PEOPLES ASSEMBLY SPEAKER SAYYID MARI WARNED THAT "STATE OF DEADLOCK IS TRYING LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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TO IMPOSE ITSELF ON THE AREA SITUATION". THE CAUSE HAS ALMOST

LOST ITS MOVEMENT TOWARD PEACE, WHICH IS "UNACCEPTABLE TO ANY ARAB". OFFICIAL ISRAELI STATEMENTS INDICATE PREPARATION FOR A FIFTH WAR. USG SINCE OCTOBER HAS PROVIDED ISRAEL WITH 3300 MILLION DOLLARS WORTH OF ARMS, ENCOURAGING THIS AGGRESSIVE ATTITUDE, HE ADDED, USG'S ME POLICY HAS UNDERGONE SOME CHANGES, BUT "THIS POLICY HAS RECENTLY SEEN A SETBACK". PRESIDENT SADAT, HE SAID, HAS DECLARED THAT "MATTERS MUST BE ARRANGED WITHIN NEXT TWO RPT TWO MONTHS". UNLESS THERE IS ACTIVE MOVEMENT, "THIS PERIOD WILL BE DECISIVE FOR PEACE AND WAR".

4. COMMENT: MAR'I IS ONE OF HANDFUL OF SADAT'S CLOSEST ADVISORS. WE BELIEVE THAT BOTH HIS TWO MONTH "DEADLINE" AND SADAT'S REMARKS SETTING THREE MONTH "DECISIVE PERIOD" RELATE TO QUESTION OF EXTENDING UNEF MANDATE (EXPIRES APR 24, 1975) WHICH WILL BE FORCED ON GOE BY EARLY APRIL.
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